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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In the Election/Restriction Requirement mailed June 19, 2007, the Examiner required restriction of the above-identified patent application to one of the following groups of claims:

Group I: Claims 43-71 and 84, drawn to a method for detecting the presence of a target nucleic acid sequence in a sample;

Group II: Claims 72-76, drawn to a kit comprising a DNA duplex binding agent and either a fluorescently labeled probe or one or more amplification reagents.

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants elect Group I (Claims 43-71 and 84) directed to a method for detecting the presence of a target nucleic acid sequence in a sample.

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No additional fees are believed due; however the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account number 11-0855.

Respectfully submitted,

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